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SERBIAN ARMY THREATENED BY THE TROOPS OF BULGARIA

TODAY'S REPORTS FROM BALKANS INDICATE THAT SERBIAN ARMY IS IN DEADLY DANGER FROM HER NEIGHBOR'S ARMY.

Eight Bulgarian Forces Have Crossed Into Serbia and the Austro-German Army is Advancing Steadily—Austrians Claim Further Advance West of Belgrade—No news today from Anglo-French Army, But it is Known to Have Participated in Fighting, as Wounded French are Now Arriving in Saloniki—Germans Reported to be Strengthening with Reinforcements in West, Apparently Getting Ready to Attack Allies—Carson's Resignation Due to Dispute Over Balkan and Turkish Affairs—Berlin Reports Capture of Two Thousand Serbians by Bulgarians.

London, Oct. 20.—The near-east reports indicate that the Serbians are in deadly danger of being overwhelmed by the armies of her neighbors. Eight Bulgarian forces have crossed into Serbia and the Austro-Germans are advancing steadily.

The Austrians announce a further advance west of Belgrade.

No news has been received from the Anglo-French army, but it is known to have been in the fighting, because the French wounded are now coming into Saloniki.

The allies in France and Belgium report that the Germans there seem to have been heavily reinforced and are apparently getting ready to make an attack.

Many Serbians Taken.

Berlin, Oct. 20.—The German war office announces that the Bulgarians have captured two thousand Serbians and twelve cannon and the town of Kuitantepe.

Cause of Carson Resignation.

London, Oct. 20.—Sir Edward Carson announced today that his resignation was due to a dispute over the Balkan and Turkish affairs.

American Aviator Taken.

Boston, Oct. 20.—Norman Prince of Boston, a Harvard graduate, who has been an aviator in the French army, has been captured by the Germans.

Move Against Montenegro.

London, Oct. 20.—A new Austro-German campaign, this time against Montenegro, is reported under preparation. Dispatches from Frankfurt, Germany, about twelve thousand troops have already reported for this campaign near the Montenegrin border.

German Successes Claimed.

Berlin, Oct. 20.—The war office announces that the Germans have captured nearly four hundred men and three machine guns from the French in Champagne. A British biplane was shot down near Middelkerke, Belgium, and its occupants captured.

COURT RULES EVIDENCE IS ADMISSIBLE

ROCKEFELLER AND OTHER DEFENDANTS IN NEW HAVEN CASE SOUGHT TO EXCLUDE EVIDENCE.

New York, Oct. 20.—In the New Haven railroad case in the trial of Elmer Rockefeller and ten other defendants, the court today overruled objection of the defense against government introducing evidence for 1912.

WEATHER FORECAST

New Orleans, La., Oct. 20.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight is fair. Thursday fair and warmer.

DYNAMITE IS USED TO WRECK OLD LANDMARK

THE LOVE BUILDING WAS RAZED YESTERDAY AND WORK ON OTHERS WILL BEGIN AT ONCE — SEVERAL SHOTS NECESSARY

Dynamite was used in wrecking the old Love building on East Main street yesterday afternoon, and now the historic old landmark is but a pile of rock and rubbish, which will be removed at once to make way for another and more modern building.

A portion of the walls fell Monday afternoon and Monday night, and the building was a menace to passers-by along East Main street. Chief Hatcher concluded, in the interest of public safety, that it was necessary to have the building brought down, and a professional wrecker, who is in the city, was given the contract to do the work.

Dynamite was placed at the base of the walls, and after three or four charges had been exploded the building, or what was left of it, toppled to the earth.

The Whittington and Hardy buildings will be demolished as soon as possible, but whether dynamite will be used on these has not been stated, although it is probable that it will.

LAW HELD CONSTITUTIONAL.

Texas Loan Brokers' Law Affirmed by Court.

Austin, Tex., Oct. 20.—The court of criminal appeals today affirmed the constitutionality of the loan brokers' law, resulting brokers to give one thousand dollars' bond. The decision was on a test case from San Antonio.

McAlester Man Dies Suddenly.

McAlester, Okla., Oct. 19.—Charles Tapp, aged 59, was stricken with heart failure and died in front of the Does hotel today before medical aid could be summoned.

Mr. Tapp was born in 1855; he came to McAlester in 1896 from Dardenelle, Ark. He was a member of several fraternal organizations.

The deceased leaves a wife and four sons. His mother and two sisters from Fort Smith are expected to arrive tonight, also a brother, G. F. Tapp, is on his way here from Bonham, Tex.

Funeral services will probably be held tomorrow afternoon.

PURCHASED BRICK BUILDING IN ARDMORE

CAL STEWART SOLD BUILDING OCCUPIED BY THE LOWENSTEIN STORE FOR \$20,600. GOOD INVESTMENT.

Homer Hinkle, secretary and treasurer of the Coline Oil Company which was recently sold to W. E. Hodges of Chicago, has purchased the Cal Stewart building on Main street, occupied by the Lowenstein store. The building is a one-story brick, fronting on Main street, fifty feet and running back one hundred and forty feet. The building is in the heart of the business district, and is a good investment. The purchase price was \$20,600. Mr. Hinkle made the purchase as an investment and will not disturb the present tenant. He is engaged in the fire insurance business and will continue to devote his time to that business.

Cal Stewart owns a large ranch in the eastern portion of Love county and will use the cash received for the building in purchasing live stock. Equipped with a ranch he can make more out of the money invested in cattle than he can leave the investment in a brick building.

EMBARGO ON ARMS TO MEXICO

PRESIDENT WILSON TODAY DECLARED EMBARGO ON ARMS OR AMMUNITION INTO MEXICO.

QUIET ON THE BORDER

No Further Executions of Mexicans Reported Today from Brownsville District—Texas Puts on Quarantine Against Mexico.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 20.—President Wilson today declared an embargo upon shipment of arms and ammunition into Mexico, but signed a supplementary order permitting munitions to go through unhampered to the Carranza forces.

Border Quiet Today

Brownsville, Texas, Oct. 20.—The border is quiet today and there have been no further executions reported since those of yesterday.

Quarantine Is Established

Fort Worth, Texas, Oct. 20.—State Health Officer Collins here today announced the establishment of a quarantine along the Texas border to keep out infectious diseases.

Villa Agency Discontinued

Washington, D. C., Oct. 20.—The Villa agency here closed its doors today. The junta scattered and it was announced that since Carranza has been recognized, there is no further need of a Villa agency. The Latin colony believes that this indicates that the Villa forces will not make an active campaign, at least in Washington.

Peace in One Year.

Gomez Palacio, Coahuila, Oct. 20.—General Carranza upon receiving news of his recognition here yesterday, said, when asked if he would be a candidate for the presidency: "There is no law that prohibits me from being a candidate. I do not know, I might accept the presidency or I might not. I shall not call an election until peace is finally restored."

He said he thought peace might be established in about one year. For the present, Carranza said he expected to continue the title he has been using. He said he expected foreigners not to mix in politics.

REGULAR MEET COMMISSIONERS LAST NIGHT

ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO ISSUANCE OF FUNDING BONDS PASSED — G. H. BRUCE IS APPOINTED CITY CLERK.

At the regular meeting of the Board of City Commissioners last night the ordinance relative to the issuance of funding bonds in the approximate amount of \$20,000 was passed and the same will be effective after its publication.

G. H. Bruce, who has been hold-over city clerk since the present administration took charge of the city affairs, was appointed unanimously by the mayor and board as city clerk. He was also given leave of absence to attend the forty-fourth annual reunion of Terry's Texas Rangers at Austin, Tex., and will leave this afternoon to mingle with his old comrades.

The bills against the city were audited and approved and a general discussion indulged in relative to the entertainment of the Santa Fe officials, who are guests of the city today.

PRES. RIPLEY AND PARTY HERE THIS MORNING

HEAD OF SANTA FE SYSTEM PAYS VISIT TO CITY TO MAKE PERSONAL INSPECTION — IS ENTERTAINED AT COUNTRY CLUB.

President Ripley is on an inspection trip, and a busy week it will be for him. He was on the line from Kansas City to Tulsa, Monday, and spent Tuesday in the Cushing oil fields, most of the day in an automobile. He fled up at Pauls Valley last night, arriving in Ardmore a few minutes before nine this morning.

"I had several chores in Oklahoma," said President Ripley in conversation with a reporter of The Ardmoreite, "but my main reason for coming now was to have an opportunity to meet the people of Ardmore. Words, of course, are inadequate to express regret and sympathy in such a case as the deplorable calamity which lately befell this community, and I shall not undertake to go express myself. I just wanted to make a little visit to Ardmore and get better acquainted with its citizens."

Mr. Ripley did not discuss the work of the committee having in charge the adjustment of the explosion claims, further than to say that the committee had the matter well in hand. "The committee," he added, "seems to be making satisfactory progress with its arduous task."

The Santa Fe is without plans for new construction in Oklahoma, although the development in the oil fields may make it necessary to build some short branches, according to the president. "Railway building in this state," he said, "depends entirely upon oil development."

The new line from Cushing to Drumright, Olton and Jennings will be completed in a few weeks, relaying in the last five-mile gap, near Olton, having already started. There is a good deal of speculation about a twelve-mile line from Drumright to Foxberg—the Fox pool development—but Mr. Ripley said that nothing had been done about it.

Asked if in his opinion there had been a change of public sentiment in Oklahoma toward railroads, Mr. Ripley replied in the affirmative. "The people," he said, "have a better understanding of the railroad question than they have ever had before, and with this understanding comes a more friendly feeling toward the carriers; but the change of sentiment has not been sufficient to induce the investment of additional capital in the Oklahoma railway industry. There still is hostile legislation which makes the money owners a bit nervous. However, the signs are for improvement."

With Mr. Ripley in Ardmore today are the following Santa Fe officials: Homer A. Stillwell, Chicago, a member of the board of directors. E. J. Engel, Chicago, assistant to the president.

W. E. Hodges, Chicago, vice-president, in charge of purchases and stores. F. E. Connors, Chicago, assistant to the vice-president.

W. E. Maxson, Galveston, general superintendent of the Gulf lines. C. W. Kouns, Topeka, general manager of the eastern lines.

F. H. Hunsell, Topeka, auditor of disbursements. Edward Raymond, Newton, general superintendent, western district eastern lines.

E. E. Taylor, Cleburne, division superintendent. W. K. Etter, Arkansas City, superintendent of the Oklahoma division.

H. R. Tensdale, Oklahoma City, division freight agent. J. A. McQuillen, Cleburne, mechanical superintendent.

J. R. Cottingham, Oklahoma City, solicitor for Oklahoma, met Mr. Ripley and party at the station, and introduced them to the local committee.

Mr. Ripley will be seventy years old October 29. He is in good health and spirits and enjoys life, getting up early, and working long hours. It is related that at Tulsa, Monday night

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MOONSHINERS ADMIT GUILT

SEVEN MEN ON TRIAL AT FORT SMITH, CHARGED WITH CONSPIRING TO DEFRAUD U. S.

SENTENCE TOMORROW

Case Against Fred Bowles, Eighth Defendant, Was Nolle Prossed — Trial of Twenty Others to Be Held in January.

Fort Smith, Ark., Oct. 20.—Seven men on trial charged with conspiracy to defraud the government in the manufacture of whiskey, pleaded guilty today. They will be sentenced tomorrow.

The case against Fred Bowles, the eighth defendant, was nolle prossed.

About twenty other defendants, on the same charge, will be tried in January.

The defendants brought to trial in connection with the so-called "moonshine" conspiracy number over a score—seven of them officials, or former officials, of the United States internal revenue service. They were indicted by the federal grand jury last June.

The government authorities predict that out of the cases may grow a gigantic prosecution of many other men who, it is alleged, have swindled the government of the United States out of between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000 during the last ten years.

The alleged head of the conspiracy is John L. Casper, an officer of the Rosh Distilling company of Kansas City who, with Guy L. Hartman, of Kansas City, John C. Browaker, of Fort Smith, and others, are charged with maintaining an illicit distillery at Fort Smith and with shipping thousands of gallons of spurious whiskey, manufactured at the plant, to the distilling company.

The six revenue officers are named with other defendants in a blanket indictment for conspiracy, and one of them, Knox Booth, is accused of accepting bribes from Casper and Hartman. Booth was formerly superintendent of the Tennessee revenue division and was removed from office after the issue of the warrant for his arrest. Government officers say he confessed and gave valuable information as to the working of the alleged conspiracy.

The other revenue men indicted were: James Surber, Atlanta, Ga., former superintendent of the Georgia revenue division; resigned shortly before his indictment.

Thomas C. McCoy, Asheville, N. C., former revenue agent, resigned from service five years ago.

S. L. Williams, Winston Salem, N. C., former revenue agent; resigned several years ago and became associated with Casper in the distilling business.

J. Henry Brown, Harrison, Ark., former government gauger; still in government service when arrested.

Newton C. Spradling, Aurora, Mo., former gauger; resigned when arrested.

J. W. Gridler, Sonora, Ark., not in service when indicted.

Others indicted were:

John Farrabee, George Hartman and Charles Brewbaker of Kansas City; John Coffey, Fred Bowles and J. B. Thomas, of Fort Smith; James L. Smith, Atlanta, Ga.; Henry Cummings, Wheeling, W. Va.; William Smith, Fort Smith, Ark., and Leo F. Brock, Moses B. Brock, Ed P. Jarrett,

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FACTORY EXPLOSION

Paris, Oct. 20.—One hundred and thirty persons were killed and injured in a factory explosion this afternoon. Many of the victims were women workers. The dead number fifty-two.

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